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MARKETS RELATED TO COMMODITIES  
DELIVERED OVER A NETWORK

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for responding to the Office Action dated December 5, 2005, now due to expire March 5, 2006, be extended for three months and set to expire on June 5, 2006.

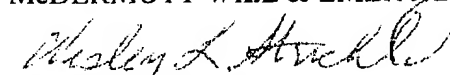
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